

European Manifesto for a sustainable built environment

How sustainable buildings can be at the heart of a prosperous and equitable future for Europe.

By supporting, establishing and implementing strong policies across these priority areas, European politicians can drive an energy efficient, regenerative and just transition in the built environment.

1 Carbon

Prioritise deep renovation of existing buildings and eliminate both operational and embodied carbon emissions across the life cycle of all buildings.

2 Circular Economy

Create a circular economy ecosystem by phasing out waste and optimising the use and re-use of resources and materials.

3 Health

Develop healthy, equitable and resilient buildings and cities that deliver improvement in public health.

4 Water

Conserve and protect water resources and guarantee equitable access to safe and sustainable, potable water and sanitation.

5 Finance

Accelerate investment into sustainable building practices.

6 Resilience

Enhance the ability of buildings and communities to respond to external shocks and stressors.

7 Biodiversity

Enhance, expand, and protect Europe's natural environment.

8 Just Transition

Ensure all citizens have equal access to safe and sustainable homes, communities and employment.

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